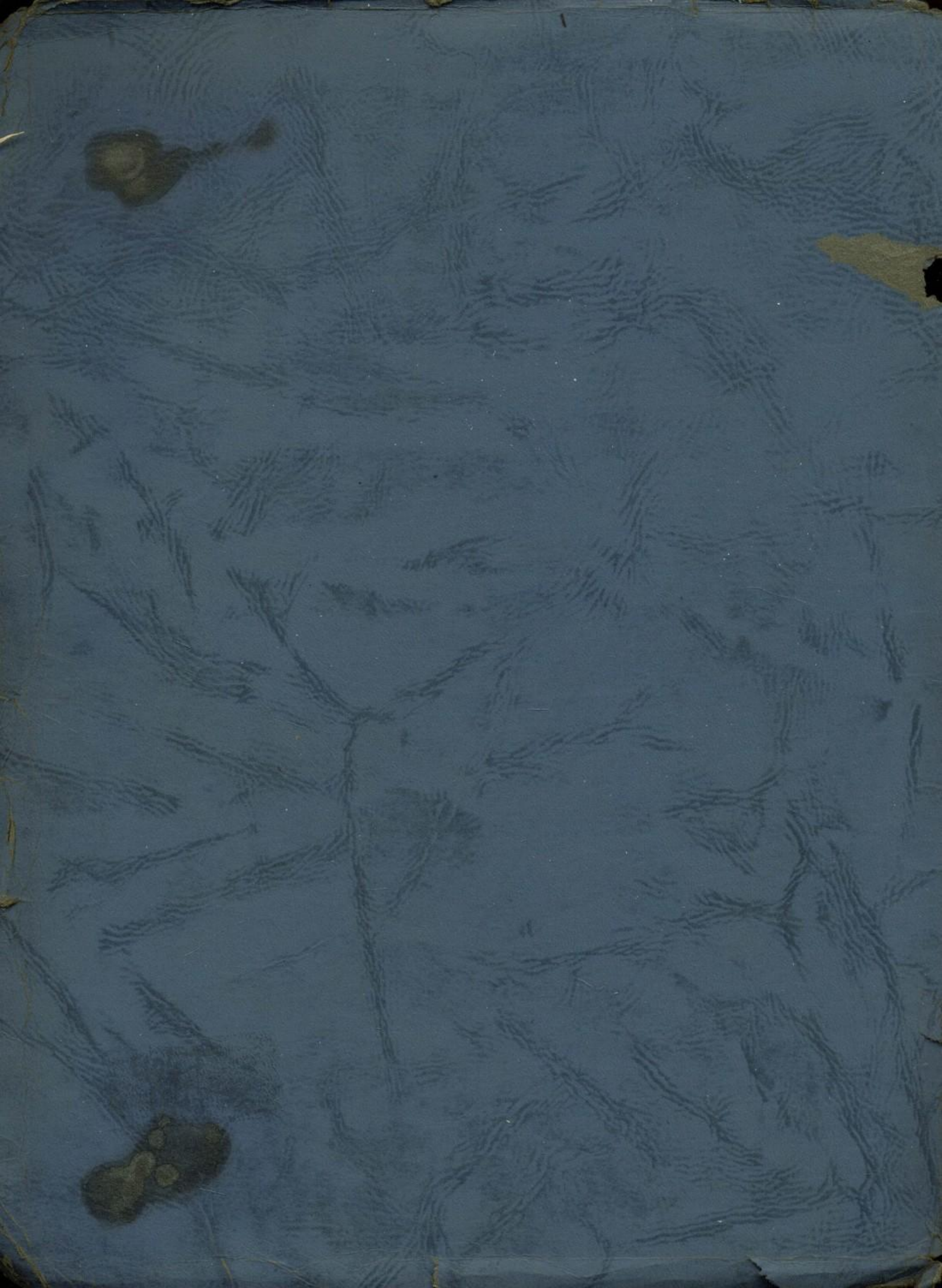
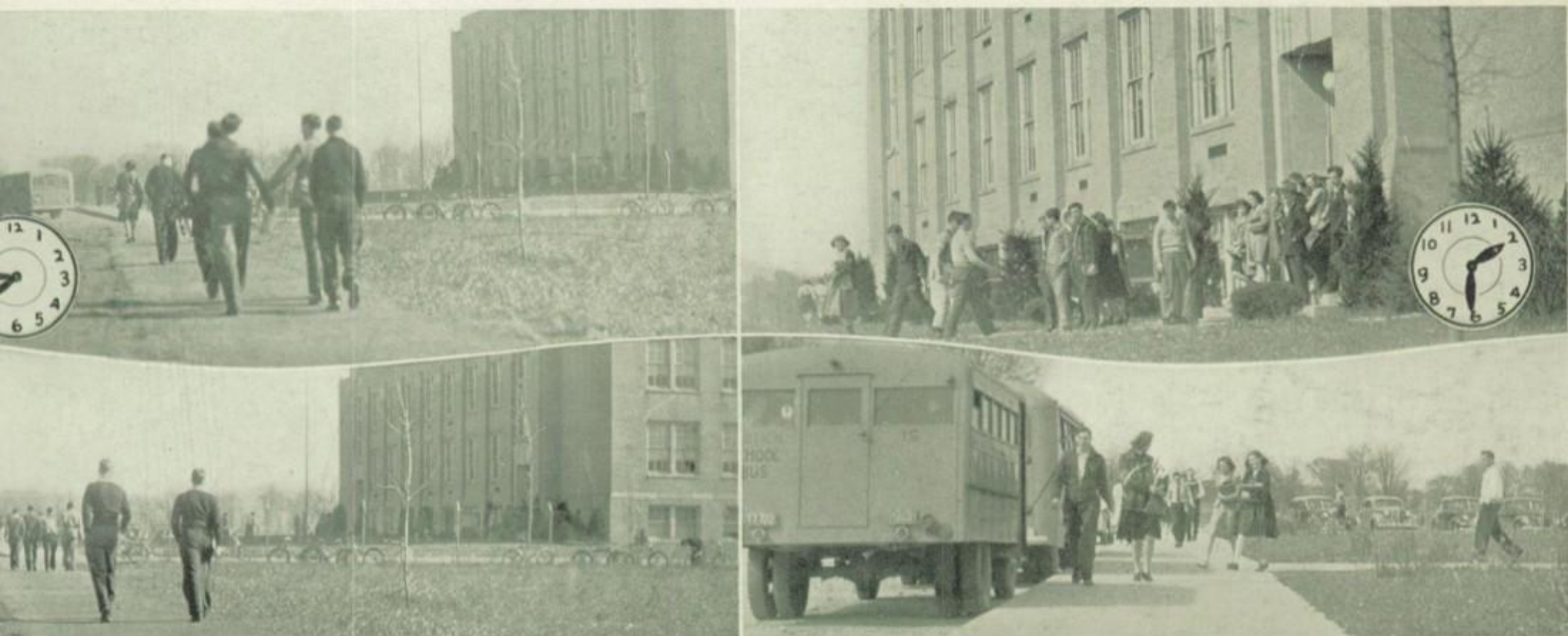


THE
1941 **Keyhole**

BEN DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL



From 7:45 to 2:30...



...at Ben Davis High School



Before Hours



During Hours



After Hours



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RECORDS THE LIFE AND
ACTIVITIES OF
THE 950 STUDENTS AT
BEN DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL
FOR THE 1940-1941
SCHOOL YEAR

During Hours . . .

We Work with the Faculty

The school's faculty has reached the mark of forty-three. Of the forty-three, there are eight new members. One of the eight is Miss Alma McNeeley, girl's chorus teacher. Miss McNeeley has taken the chorus to many outside activities. Gordon E. Harker, a loyal graduate of Ben Davis, has proved himself adequate to hold the position of safety director. Mr. Harker has taken charge of our traffic force. The home economics department has been enlarged to the extent that another clothing and foods teacher had to be added. Miss Harriet Wilkinson has taken over some of Mrs. Sohl's duties. In place of Mr. Murray, Miss Mabel Dierdorf has been recently employed to teach shorthand. Our commercial law classes have had a new instructor this last semester, Mrs. McCalment. Mrs. McCalment also helps in the clinic. George Hiatt, teacher of algebra and assistant coach, is also a graduate of Ben Davis. Herman Henshaw has done wonders for the various sports teams. His excellent coaching put the boys 'way ahead in basketball. The newest member to the faculty is Mr. Brankle, who has taken the place of Mr. Clarence Hall. Mr. Hall has been called for one year's service in the Army. "Red" Haviland is the athletic director.

M. L. Wooden, Mr. Brankle and Miss Carruthers are teaching history this year. Miss Carruthers is also the Junior class sponsor. "Chuck" Stembel is teaching Senior civics.

Mrs. Ball is still the undisputed speech director. Mrs. Ball has "put on" many entertaining moments during this last year.

The commercial department has Miss Kennedy teaching bookkeeping, Miss Kelley instructing first year typists, and Mrs. Kirk, head of advanced work.

Our two deans are Mrs. Mercer and Mr. Shockley. Many problems of the students have worked out as a result of the labors of these two advisors.

Mrs. Helen Pounce, Miss Gladys Dawson, Mr. Cleveland, Mrs. Fravel and Mr. Gerichs take care of the math department. The Math Club has sponsored many activities during the year. The club sold shirts again this semester.

English classes have been conducted by Lillian Ragains, Wilma Jay, Alma McNeeley and Dorcas Harger. Also along with this is the journalism class taught by Robert Windhorst. Mr. Windhorst was in charge of the annual.

Our science teachers include B. F. Walker, Alfred Jones and Leland Mills.

Many of our Latin students have brought honors to our school through the guidance of Elizabeth Worrell, Louise Williams and Mrs. Mercer.

At the basketball games, the band has had much to do with the raising of the school spirit. The band teacher and leader is Omar Rybolt. Not only is Mr. Rybolt a teacher of music, but he is also a composer. One of his original compositions was played at the "Minstrel Show" presented by the P.-T. A.

Mrs. Elva Strouse has displayed her abilities during many and various meetings throughout the past months.

Georgia Traub's work with the gym classes resulted in the dances given for the May Day celebration.

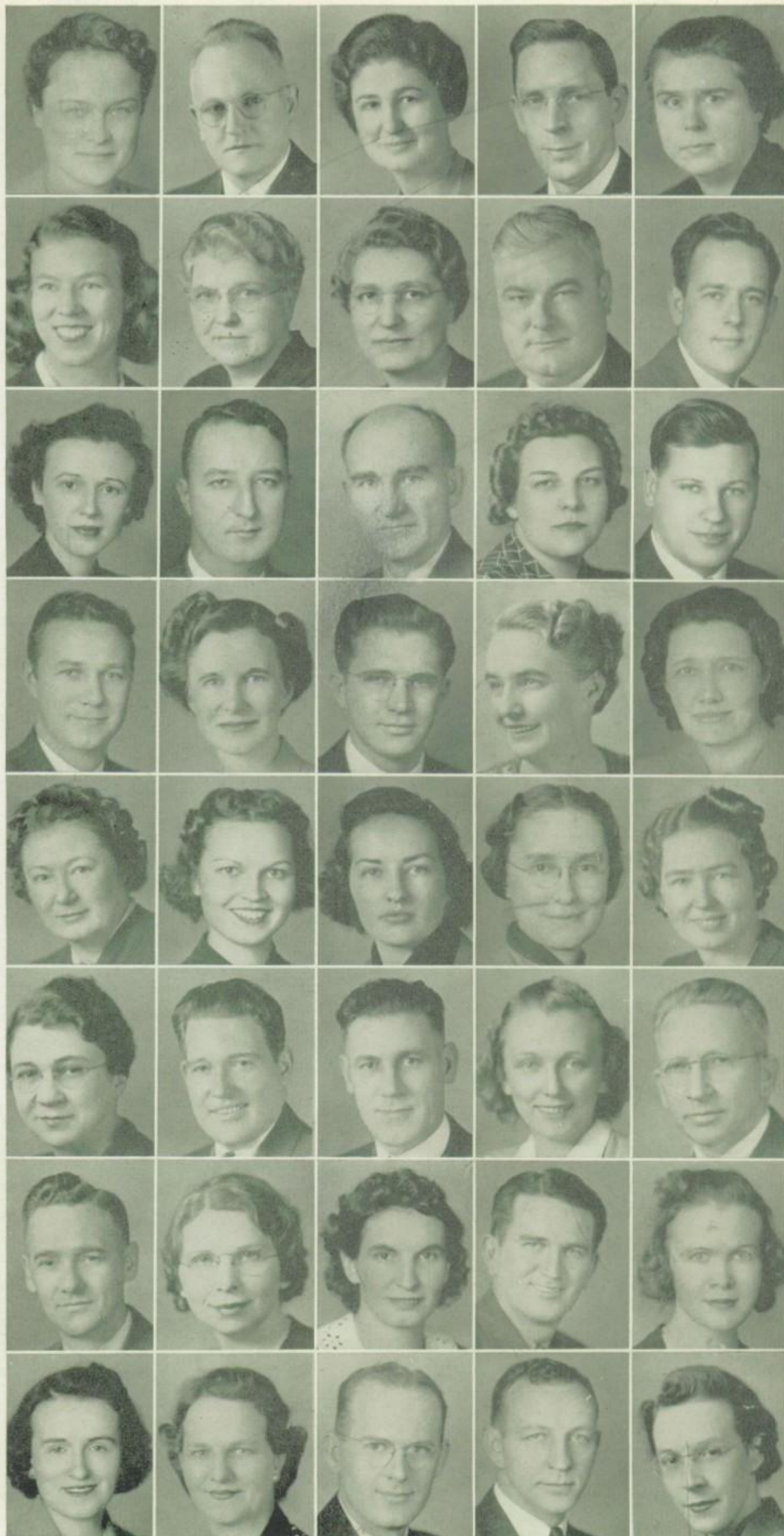
Mrs. Williams, librarian, has enlarged the library until it has almost reached completion. Mr. Sproat has taught agriculture, and his boys have gotten prizes from poultry judging contests. Mr. Blair teaches shop during the day, but after school hours he spends his time with his baseball team.

Mrs. Eaton has had charge of the cafeteria. Thanks to her, we have a nice, clean, cheerful place in which to eat. Assisting her as cashier is Mrs. Heath. Mrs. Heath also teaches freshman chorus.

Mr. Charles Vance, principal; Mr. Leland Mills, vice-principal, and Mr. Wm. Girton, freshman principal, have kept Ben Davis a school of which the students can be proud.



Mrs. Elsie B. Ball
 Mr. Hubert Blair
 Miss Olive Carruthers
 Mr. Kenneth Cleveland
 Miss Gladys Dawson
 Miss Mabel Dierdorf
 Mrs. Eva L. Eaton
 Mrs. Lora Fravel
 Mr. George W. Gerichs
 Mr. Clarence Hall
 Miss Dorcas Harger
 Mr. Gordon Harker
 Mr. Bert G. Haviland
 Mrs. Faye Heath
 Mr. George Hiatt
 Mr. H. T. Hinshaw
 Mrs. Wilma Jay
 Mr. Alfred K. Jones
 Miss Eudora Kelley
 Miss Hazel Kennedy
 Mrs. Jessie Kirk
 Mrs. Bennie Mae McCalment
 Miss Alma McNeeley
 Mrs. Helen P. Mercer
 Mrs. Helen Poince
 Miss Lillian Ragains
 Mr. Omar Rybolt
 Mr. James I. Shockley
 Mrs. Esther H. Sohl
 Mr. R. F. Sproat
 Mr. C. J. Stembel
 Mrs. Elva Strouse
 Mrs. Georgia Traub
 Mr. B. F. Walker
 Miss Harriet J. Wilkinson
 Miss Esther Williams
 Mrs. Louise G. Williams
 Mr. Robert C. Windhorst
 Mr. Maurice L. Wooden
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Worrell
 Mr. L. S. Mills
 Mr. Charles H. Vance
 Mr. W. R. Girton





In Class Hours We

Ben Davis Days

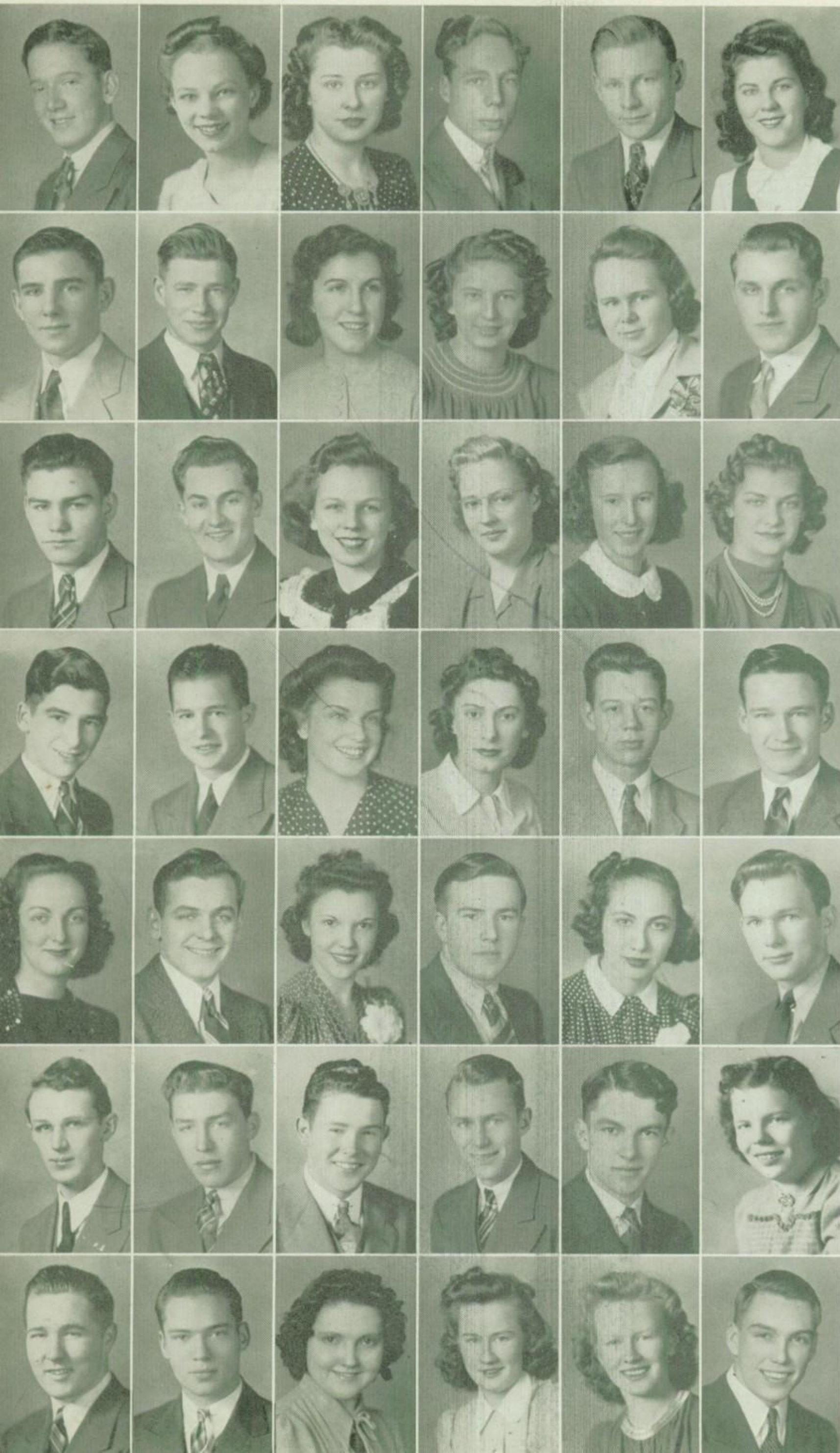
We see ourselves as Freshmen,
With the usual pile of books,
Little anxious faces
With green and astonished looks.

And then, we were Sophomores—
We had lost our love for books;
Tried to be like Juniors
And cared more for our looks.

Finally we were Juniors—
We lost our giddy ways;
Tried to settle down to study
To while the precious days.

Finally Seniors we became—
We swung on down the halls,
Looked down upon the Freshie,
We hardly knew him at all.

Meet Our Classmates



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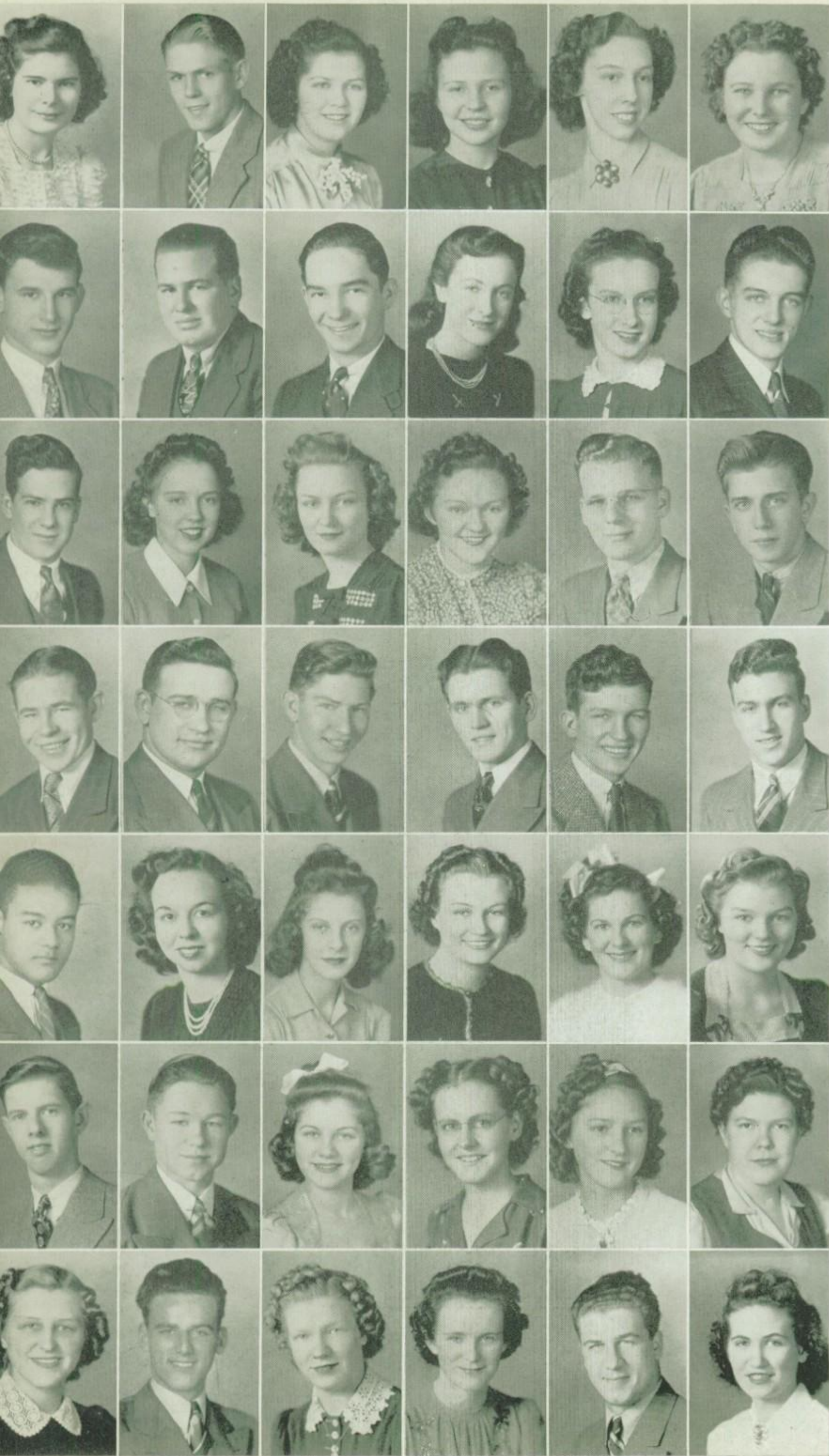
1. HUBERT ADAMS . . .
*With tousled red hair
And a friendly smile;
Knowing this boy
Is quite worthwhile.*
 2. VIVIAN ALLGOOD . . .
*She works for a dentist
And it's very plain
Just looking at Vivian
His patients feel no pain.*
 3. AVIS ARNOLD . . .
*Chatter, chatter, chatter,
Full of laughs and fun;
If Avis is around
Watch for a pun.*
 4. ALFORD AUSTIN . . .
*A friendly fellow—
Does many things well;
He is a friend to all,
In other words—he's swell.*
 5. FRANKLIN BARRETT . . .
*A teacher of music
On the Hawaiian guitar,
And we have no doubt
All his pupils will star.*
 6. MARY BODELL . . .
*Tall and slim,
Black hair that curls—
She's our Ben Davis
"Glamour Girl."*
 7. ALVA BOHANON . . .
*Good old "Bo"
Plays second base—
Suits us fine
In any case.*
 8. ROY BOLEN . . .
*Although he is quiet
He is lots of fun,
And if he's your friend,
A good friend you've won.*
 9. ANNA LOUISE BREWER . . .
*In 4-H baking
She's very efficient.
Just count her medals
If you believe she isn't.*
 10. BARBARA BROWN . . .
*She's so short,
We mean not tall,
At commencement parade
She'll lead them all.*
 11. NANCY BROWN . . .
*Sweet, diminutive Nancy—
Such a charming smile,
It so enchants us,
We seek it all the while.*
 12. ROBERT BROWN . . .
*Anything mechanical
Is Bob's joy and pride.
He takes things apart
To see what's inside.*
 13. WILMER BUIS . . .
*Whether on football field
Or basketball floor,
Wilmer always adds
Many points to the score.*
 14. WILLIAM BURKE . . .
*A good baseball man
Was Bill Burke,
And from his duty
He never did shirk.*
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15. MAXINE BURNS . . .
*Maxine serves hamburgers
At the Dairy Bar;
She'll bring anything you order
Straight to your car.*
16. MARJORIE BUTTERFIELD . . .
*Some say she's shy
But we know better,
The word mischievous
Fits her to a letter.*
17. MARY CAHALL . . .
*Mary is tops
We all know,
In the past few months
She's proved it so.*
18. RUBY CARL
*Ruby keeps the books
For some folks downtown,
She's so very quiet
You scarcely know she's around.*
19. ALLAN CARR . . .
*Small, dark and handsome
Is this man Carr,
And wherever he is
He will always star.*
20. BORIS CHALEFF . . .
*A three letter man
With a fighting heart—
You will like this fellow
From the very start.*
21. CARRIE CLAYTON . . .
*Carrie has a date
For most every night.
We think she would learn
To share and share alike.*
22. FLORENCE COMAN . . .
*Florence loves to draw
Birds, and flowers, and trees.
She never has to worry
For her models never sneeze.*
23. BOB CONGER . . .
*Tall Bob Conger
With coal black hair,
Knows how to charm
The ladies fair.*
24. GARELD COOK . . .
*A very fine lad—
Baseball is his game
He has already pitched
His way to fame.*
25. DOROTHY COSSELL . . .
*A whiz in art,
Full of pep,
She always dances
The latest step.*
26. EMIL CRACIUNOIU . . .
*A football player
With "a line,"
An expert Skater
Rates girls anytime.*
27. ELAINE CRAIG . . .
*Her gypsy face,
And sparkling eyes
Have the power
To hypnotize.*
28. WILLIAM CRAIG . . .
*A traffic boy
Of three year's standing,
Although he blushes
Bill's a dandy!*
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29. RUTH CULBERTSON . . .
*Tall, cool and tailored,
There's no doubt she'll be
Someone's capable secretary,
Who does not sit on knees.*
30. GEORGE CUNARD . . .
*In his Chevie
He likes to go
Straight to the house
Of Norma Renfro.*
31. GEORGE DARNELL . . .
*George is a club man
As busy as a bee,
But it's only the beginning
Of how busy he will be.*
32. DALE DAVIS . . .
*A budding Rembrant
In the field of art,
As an artist
He has a good start.*
33. JIM DAVIS . . .
*On the track team
Jim is our weight-man,
And with the best
He will stand.*
34. GEORGE DEPUTY . . .
*A shop student
Of Mr. Blair,
And for aviation
He has a flair.*
35. ROBERT DICKISON . . .
*The master of his subjects
And not only that
He runs the 440
In nothing flat.*
36. MURIEL DOLL . . .
*A jollier girl
B. D. has never seen;
In "Our Town"
An actress supreme.*
37. WILLIAM DUNCAN . . .
*In the band
A trombone he plays,
And everyone likes him
And his likeable ways.*
38. JAMES DUNN . . .
*He showed his talents
In the play "Our Town."
And on the track field
His jumping will astound.*
39. MARGUERITE EADENS . . .
*In this world
She'll do all right;
For a little girl
She sure is bright.*
40. EILEEN EDWARDS . . .
*Eileen is pert,
And friendly too;
She's a sight
That chases blues.*
41. KATHLEEN EDWARDS . . .
*Everybody calls her Kate—
We know the reason why,
She is such a tiny girl
Her name is oversize.*
42. JAMES EICKHOFF . . .
*Jim is a high jumper,
He plays football too;
And Mary Pritchard
He likes to woo.*
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43. BETTIE JANE ELLIS . . .
*When she's at a typewriter
She displays amazing speed;
Her studious perseverance
Will help her to succeed.*
44. WILLIAM EMERY . . .
*Here's a fellow
Whose only wish
Is to spend his time
To hunt and fish.*
45. MARGARET EVANS . . .
*Margaret and her sisters
Stole our hearts discreetly
Each time they came to us,
And played and sang so sweetly.*
46. RHODA FELTIS . . .
*From Michigan City
Came this lass,
And she was adopted
By all the Class.*
47. EDNA MAE FISHER . . .
*Tall and slender,
With industrious mind
A whiz Latin student,
In her you'll find.*
48. MARY FOX . . .
*When a merry giggle
Comes winging through the halls,
It's sure to belong to Mary
Nothing bothers her at all.*
49. GENE FRITCH . . .
*This tall, quiet fellow
Has hopes quite high;
Because his ambition
Is to learn to fly.*
50. LEON GARDNER . . .
*To hunt is his hobby,
He loves to fish.
To go through life leisurely
Is his one wish.*
51. BLAIR GIBBONS . . .
*Apples and onions,
Pepper and salt.
What groceries will you have?
Blair sells them all.*
52. MYRA GILLESPIE . . .
*Friendly, helpful Myra
A lot of fun she'll bring.
She's trading her books
In on a wedding ring.*
53. EVA GLIDEWELL . . .
*Eva was in a hurry
To gather lots more knowledge;
She left us at Christmas
To go on to college.*
54. JAMES GRAYSON . . .
*Tall, blonde and handsome
A ladies man is he;
He attracts the girls
Like honey draws a bee.*
55. EUGENE HACKER
*A friendly fellow
With personality plus
Makes this fellow
Liked by all of us.*
56. OLIVIA HALL . . .
*Very cute,
Kind of shy,
She's a pal
Who'll stand by.*
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57. WANDA HAMILTON . . .
*She has a friendly smile
For everyone;
And knowing this girl
Is really fun.*
58. JUNE HANSEN . . .
*June likes boys tall
With hair curly.
She was smart,
And got through early.*
59. RAYMOND HARP . . .
*He's new to our class
We liked him from the start;
He's such a charming fellow
We took him to our hearts.*
60. FRANK HARPER . . .
*Frank Harper
A likeable lad,
A better friend
Cannot be had.*
61. CHARLES HART . . .
*To anyone he knows
Joy will he bring,
And by the way
He can really sing.*
62. DALE HESSONG . . .
*In his shiny Model "A"
To school he came.
With his big bass drum
He did gain much fame.*
63. JOE HICKS . . .
*A brilliant fellow
With journalistic inclination;
In the game of life
He'll create a sensation.*
64. MARVIN HILAND . . .
*Marvin will go
To work in town
To save for a farm,
So he can settle down.*
65. EUGENE HITTLE . . .
*His father is a banker,
Easy street is his address;
What more he could want
We can't begin to guess.*
66. DON HONEA . . .
*Friendly Mr. Honea
Quiet and sincere
To all the students
He seems quite near.*
67. SHERIDAN HORNE . . .
*Dashing up the track
Is our man Horne
A better track man
Was never born.*
68. LORINE HUMPHREY . . .
*Her talent is talking,
And does she rate;
You should hear her
In a hot debate.*
69. KATHLENE HUSTON . . .
*She's kinda shy—
She's awfully neat—
Oh! Heck! In other words
She's sweet!*
70. BETTY ISRAEL . . .
*Betty has blue eyes
And her hair is curly;
Besides that she's smart
She finished school early.*
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71. LORAIN JACOBS . . .
*Lorain is pretty,
And so petite
In kitchen aprons
She'll look very sweet.*
72. BETTE JAMES . . .
*Friendly and sweet
A grand combination.
Bette charms everyone,
And all their relation.*
73. RICHARD JARRETT . . .
*A jolly fellow
With light brown hair,
Is now concerned
In a love affair.*
74. DARYL JOHNSON . . .
*Daryl loves his model "A"
And everything that ticks,
He'll work on motors for hours
Until he makes them click.*
75. LOIS JULIAN . . .
*Short and cute
An engaging lass,
She skates along
With real class.*
76. FLORENCE KENNEDY . . .
*Florence Kennedy
With eyes so blue
School's healthiest girl—
Does 4-H work too.*
77. DOROTHY KINSLEY . . .
*All of Dorothy's smiles
Are refreshing as a breeze;
She seems quite enticing
To Wayne Van Treese.*
78. ANNA LAMBERT . . .
*A jolly person
Full of smiles;
She makes good grades
All the while.*
79. ANNA LOU LAMPE . . .
*In looks she rates
In grades she's best;
In fun and friends
She's up with the rest.*
80. ROBERT LANE . . .
*A mid-year graduate
Is Bob Lane,
And he is a friend
Everyone should strive to gain.*
81. MARY LANHAM . . .
*Mary always looks to see
Her clothes and hair are sleek,
All the boys date Mary;
She always looks so chic.*
82. MILDRED LEE . . .
*Mildred would rather
Eat than dance
But she'll dance too
Each time she gets a chance.*
83. JACK LEO . . .
*In history he is good,
And on the football field
He hits the line so hard
It is bound to yield.*
84. DELPHINE LEONARD . . .
*Our cute office girl
With the friendly smile,
Makes friends with all the girls
And many boys does she guile.*
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85. PAUL LIGHT . . .
*Our football hero
With a dimpled grin;
His curly hair
Makes girls fall for him.*
86. ROBERT LOCKE . . .
*A mathematical wizard
Is this lad;
At playing a violin
He's not half bad.*
87. CHARLOTTE LONG . . .
*Pretty black hair
And dancing eyes
A friend to all
Regardless of size.*
88. ROBERT LONG . . .
*Whether on the stage
Or in the band,
Bob is always around
To lend a hand.*
89. MADELINE MCCOLLUM . . .
*Neat and smiling,
Always the same
Friendly by nature
Madeline by name.*
90. ROBERT MCCONNELL . . .
*Bob works
In a parking lot;
His ambition
Is a girl named Dot.*
91. JEANETTE MCCREARY . . .
*Jeanette's favorite subject
Is chemistry by Heck!
She spends long hours studying
On chemistry you can bet.*
92. PATRICIA MCKINNEY . . .
*Either Scotch or Irish
You can tell by her name,
And for all we know
Her name might reach fame.*
93. JAMES MCMURTRY . . .
*An industrious fellow
Who never did shirk
From that little word
That people call work.*
94. JACK MARTIN . . .
*He'd make a quiz-kid
Bow in shame,
He's learned to give the answers
And still is almost sane.*
95. GRACE MEAD . . .
*Grace is a business woman
Loyal, tried, and true.
She has all these qualities
And gracious dignity, too.*
96. BETTY MERCER . . .
*Friendly and clever,
A humor that's keen,
The peppiest girl
You've ever seen.*
97. PAUL MILLER . . .
*He's going to study
To be an engineer,
To travel to mysterious places
Far removed from here.*
98. FRANCES MINGER . . .
*Frances is a Swiss Duchess
With blood a royal blue;
She's a good student
And to her friends is true.*
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99. DOROTHY MONDARY . . .
*Dorothy is a happy girl,
Who loves to sing and dance.
She dances at the Legion
Each time she has a chance.*
100. SHIRLEY MONGAN . . .
*An artist, sure
Right here's the dame,
Whose future drawings
Will bring her fame.*
101. JESSE MOORE . . .
*Here is a boy
With athletic glory;
To tell it all
Makes too long a story.*
102. MARJORIE MOORE . . .
*She's very nice,
Kind of shy—
She's a pal
Who'll stand by.*
103. GEORGE MORGAN . . .
*A distance man
In track is he
Another Don Lash
He wants to be.*
104. EDWARD MURPHY . . .
*Senior Class President—
Spotlight editor-in-chief,
Just mention skating
This Irishman can't be beat.*
105. OLIVE MURPHY . . .
*Just between you and me
She's not bashful at all—
She's cute as a button
And friendly to all.*
106. RICHARD MUTERSPAUGH . . .
*Here's the fellow
Behind the plate
When our baseball team
Has a date.*
107. BETTY MAE NEWNUM . . .
*Betty loves to read
Of history and the past;
She'll never lack books to read
This world is changing fast.*
108. ELDEN NICHOLAS . . .
*A good math student
A good fellow too,
But sometimes he sleeps
The whole class through.*
109. PEGGY O'BRIEN . . .
*Her classes, all
Proceed merrily,
For Peggy O'Brien
Is Irish as can be.*
110. OTTO OFF . . .
*A fellow like Otto
Is seldom found
And all the fellows
Like to have him around.*
111. RICHARD O'HAYER . . .
*Joking Dick O'Hayer
With never a care,
Seems always able
To get in the teacher's hair.*
112. JAMES ORR . . .
*A quiet lad, and
A friend to all.
In the line of history
He beats them all.*
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113. LILLIAN OWENS . . .
*A friend of many
Foe of none,
This traffic girl
Is loads of fun.*
114. GERALD PARKER . . .
*Long, lean and lanky
Fits him to a "T."
He's what every midget romeo
Vainly longs to be.*
115. ANDREW PAYNE . . .
*A flashy dresser
Is our Andy, and
To our school
He's been quite handy.*
116. ROY PEARSON . . .
*In the field of track
Roy beats them all;
And he made all-sectional
In basketball.*
117. JOHN PEDREY . . .
*"Pewee" is his nickname,
He's not so tall, we know
But just wrestling
Johnny takes the show.*
118. JAMES PFEIFFER . . .
*Jim says he
Has no ambition;
He's so quiet
It's almost an inhibition.*
119. MARILYN PICKEREL . . .
*Sunshine President
With a dimpled smile,
Her speeches in debate
Are really worthwhile.*
120. ROBERT PICKERING . . .
*A protege of Mrs. Strouse
At painting he is fine,
And when he is acting
He never is behind.*
121. CHARLOTTE PIERCE . . .
*In being clever
She's the latest edition,
For other Pierce's
Set the tradition.*
122. VERNON PINKSTON . . .
*A quiet fellow,
A likeable chap—
Although in class
He takes an occasional nap.*
123. EARLENE PRATHER . . .
*Earlene is accomplished
In domestic arts,
Her husband needn't order meals
In restaurants a la carte.*
124. REBA QUERRY . . .
*A motorcycle fan,
A loyal one too,
She always seems
To come smiling through.*
125. HOWARD RECORD . . .
*Our tall bashful center
On the basketball team,
Has scored more points
Than you could dream.*
126. MARTHA REDMOND . . .
*She never speaks
Unless spoken to,
But when she does
She's worth listening to.*
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127. FLORENCE RITTER . . .
*A well-liked girl
We all know;
Her quick wit
Leaves our cheeks an afterglow.*
128. MAXINE ROBEY . . .
*Modest, quiet Maxine,
Hasn't much to say
She makes many friends
In a charming way.*
129. ROSEMARY ROBINSON . . .
*When it comes to fun
Rosie really shines;
She keeps us laughing
Nearly all the time.*
130. WILLIAM ROBINSON . . .
*An excellent dancer,
A comic too;
He has many friends
Both old and new.*
131. MARGARET ROSS . . .
*Loveable, likeable Margaret,
Naturalness is the key
She, in everyone's opinion,
Is best liked girl in B. D.*
132. MARY ROSS . . .
*Imagine Mary as
A loving nurse;
Her patients never
Will get worse.*
133. JOE SHROUT . . .
*Four years of football
Three years of track;
We bet the coaches
Will want him back!*
134. MARJORIE SCHUTTE . . .
*To be a famous journalist
Is Marjorie's ambition;
She talks fast enough
To make each first edition.*
135. ROBERT SEEMAN . . .
*An "A-1" student,
An "A-1" athlete;
Such a fellow
You seldom meet.*
136. MARY SINCLAIR . . .
*She's fun at school
A whiz on skates
In the boys' eyes
She really rates.*
137. LENORA SIPOS . . .
*For laughs and giggles
Right here's the dame;
Her laugh so jolly
Should bring her fame.*
138. CATHERINE SMITH . . .
*She went away at Christmas,
Got a job right away;
She's a pretty stenographer
At American Art and Clay.*
139. MARTHA SMITH . . .
*You'll not find Martha
Perched on a shelf,
For wherever she goes
She enjoys herself.*
140. ROBERT SMITH . . .
*Our tall officer
Who guards the hall,
Has a friendly smile
For us all.*
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141. VIRGINIA SMITH . . .
*A talkative girl,
But lots of fun;
Her heart beats
For only one.*
142. WARREN SMITH . . .
*A good math student,
With a friendly word for all
Makes this fellow
Liked by all.*
143. KATHLEEN SMOOT . . .
*Jolly, laughing Kate
Never lacks a date;
Rates as a dancer
Loves to bowl and skate.*
144. JANE SOCKLER . . .
*Jane is our May Queen
And we must admit
If there's someone more charming
We haven't as yet met.*
145. HUBERT SOUCIE . . .
*A good track man
From old B. D.
And of all the girls
Only one he can see.*
146. BETTY STEVENS . . .
*Betty is a fairy
When she is on skates,
She swirls and twirls
While the night grows late.*
147. CHESTER STERRET . . .
*In history and Latin
He rates with the best,
Though absent so much
He seems like a guest.*
148. ALFRED STONER . . .
*Known as "Kibbee"
Is this jolly lad,
And with all the girls
He is not half bad.*
149. FRANK STOUT . . .
*Full of fun
Tall and lanky,
Frank is a true
Ben Davis yankee.*
150. RICHARD SWIFT . . .
*President of Art Club
Himself, the "Artist Supreme,"
The pictures he draws
Are quite esteemed.*
151. BETTY LEE THOMPSON . . .
*Betty wants a job,
A la Kitty Foyle,
Something easy is desired
Involving little toil.*
152. FRED TILLET . . .
*A budding archaeologist,
And what is more
He has already found
The jaw of a dinosaur.*
153. TRESSA TOLER . . .
*Tressa can swing
Most any song,
It's a sure thing
She'll not get the gong.*
154. BETH TRAUB . . .
*At making orations
She is supreme,
And throughout the school
She is held in high esteem.*
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SENIORS OF '41

155. HOWARD TRUAX . . .

*A football player
Of wide renown;
Such a fellow
Is seldom found.*

156. IRENE VARGO . . .

*Irene and her sisters
Have all come and gone,
It won't seem the same
With no Vargo in our throng.*

157. RUTH WALLACE . . .

*There is a place in
In her heart for the West,
It was there her days
Were happiest.*

158. BESSIE WEAVER . . .

*Pretty blue eyes
She's full of pep,
When she's skating
She's really hep.*

159. IMOGENE WELLS . . .

*Imogene has what it takes
To break masculine hearts,
This she will always do
With aid from cupid's darts.*

160. HARRY WESTFALL . . .

*Some say he's shy
Others say not,
All we know is
That with us he's tops.*

161. LULU WESTFALL . . .

*For a jolly pal
Here's just the dame,
Friendly by nature
Lulu by name.*

162. MARY WHEELER . . .

*She's Olive's pal
And a nurse-to-be,
She'll succeed too
It's plain to see.*

163. JOYCE WHYLAND . . .

*Joyce knows Latin,
As her A, B, C's.
It will help her earn
Many learned degrees.*

164. MELVA WICKERSHAM . . .

*When summer has come,
And school days are fled,
Melva thinks
Perhaps she'll wed.*

165. DORA WILLIAMSON . . .

*Dora works for a lawyer
So if you're in a jam
Go and see Dora,
Her boss is the man.*

166. DON WININGS . . .

*As an actor
Don is grand,
And he also plays
In our fine band.*

167. MILDRED WINTERROWD . . .

*Our candy girl
With the friendly smile,
Makes buying candy
Quite worthwhile.*

168. ALEX WITKOVICH . . .

*On the football field
He is really a flash,
And on the track
Wowie! Can he dash!*

SENIOR PROPHECY

As we sit before the great audience on our graduation night, we are naturally wondering what our future will hold for us.

Suddenly, to us the prophets of the class of 1941, the future becomes the present, and we begin to unfold the lives of our fellow classmates.

By some mere coincidence we three musketeers have chosen the same careers—that of being reporters on the Daily Who's Who From Ben Davis. As is the trend of this type of work, we come into contact with many people, some of whom are our friends from long ago.

Sitting leisurely in our office, we are thrilled by the sound of a fire siren. Knowing the importance of this we jump into our auto and race away. Coming upon the engine, whom should we see as fire chief but Bill Duncan. Hanging on the back and various other places on the truck are James McMurtry, Paul Miller, Robert Smith, Huber Soucie, and Howard Truax as Bill's assistants. Nearing the scene of the fire, we see Frank Stout directing traffic. Barging through, we drive nearer the burning house. Roy Pearson, the brave hero, rushes into the burning house to save a friend. When he comes out, who should be tagging along, physically fit, but Bob Seeman. Naturally we ask him why he hadn't come out sooner and he replies, "I wanted to finish the last page of my Big Little Book." Looking around, we see as spectators Hubert Adams, Vivian Allgood, Avis Arnold, James Davis, and Betty Israel.

After the excitement is over, we start back to the office; but before we reach there, we see an accident. We find that Dale Hessong's driving has been the cause. Luckily none of our classmates is among the injured, but the ambulance driver is Harry Westfall; his assistant Bob Wasson and the nurse, Betty Newnum.

Upon our return to the office we find that we are to cover a great wedding. The honored bride is none other than Beth Traub, who is marrying a rich airport manager. As bridesmaids are Joyce Whyland, Anna Lou Lampe, Wanda Hamilton, and Ruby Carl. Alex Witkovich is best man. The biggest surprise of all is Emil Craciunoiu, the minister.

After writing our stories for the day, we go to a well advertised circus for entertainment. We find it located on the corner where our favorite drug store used to be. The manager is Robert Brown. Ticket takers are Le Nora Sipos and Fred Tillett. When we enter the main tent, we see the head clowns are Bob Long, Richard Muterspaugh, Richard Jarrett and Don Honea. The most outstanding acts consist of a rope walker, Kathleen Huston; snake charmers, Florence Kennedy and Dorothy Kingsley. James Dunn is holding everyone's attention with his magician act. His stooges are Warren Smith and Richard Swift. At the end of the show, we decide our trip is not complete without seeing a side show so we go in to see the 550 lb. lady. To our surprise it is that tall slender girl of our school days, Mildred Lee.

The next morning our boss tells us that we are to go to New York to get the facts of the World Series. On the train on which we are traveling, the engineer is Jack Leo; conductor, John Pedrey; fireman, Jim Pfeiffer; and Sheridan Horne is head porter. We find ourselves seated near none other than Gerald Cook, who tries to tell us that he is president of Ben Davis which is now a college with a faculty consisting of Olivia Hall, Martha Smith, Vernon Pinkston, and Frank Harper. Upon our arrival at the hotel at which we are to stay, the doorman is Marvin Hiland; desk clerk is Joe Hicks; and bellboys are George Morgan and Bob Locke. After cleaning up, we hop in a taxi driven by Carl Off. We ask him to take us to the most prominent place where we could eat and have entertainment. He tells us that the best night club is owned by Ralph Basore. Naturally the name of an old classmate interests us. We find the check girl to be Margaret O'Brien. The orchestra is led by Robert Pickering with William Craig as the outstanding drummer. Vocalists are Lillian Owens and Marjorie Moore. During the evening a dance contest is held and the winners are George Cunard and Elaine Craig. We go over to congratulate them. During our conversation, Elaine says, "Did you know that Marilyn Pickerel has a diamond?" The natural question for us to ask was, "Who is the lucky boy?" The answer was, "She won the final oratorical contest."

The next morning we go to watch the Series. The coach of one team is George Darnell, behind whom is sitting an old high school admirer, Ruth Culbertson. While talking to us, he tells us that his team is mostly boys from our dear high school. They are Alford Austin, Alva Bohannon, Roy Bolen, Wilmer Buis and Bill Burke. With such boys as these, no other team has a chance. It makes a good story to show how a team partially from the same community wins the World Series.

Upon our return to our office, we are told to get a list of the people who have gained success as outstanding people in various fields, both common and unusual. In composing this list, we find that a number of the succeeding people are old acquaintances from school days. They are Daryl Johnson, best flapjack maker; Rheba Quearry, outstanding hair dresser; Anna Brewer, champion tea-ring baker; Muriel Doll, who finally achieved her ambition to be a stage actress; champion wash woman, Mary Fox; "Skip" Dickison, comedian; George Deputy, script and gag writer; Jim Eickhoff, paper hanger; and news commentator, Bill Emery; chief corn husker, Howard Record; and chief onion puller, Dale Davis.

After this list is completed, we are free to enjoy some entertainment so we go to the Great Ice Skating Review which is held on the campus of the Ben Davis college. The second Sonja Henie, as it is announced, is Lois

Julian, whom we remember as having skated since high school days. Bessie Weaver and Lorain Jacobs are among the star performers. Looking around us, we recognize several spectators as our old school mates; among whom are Eva Glidewell, Mary Cahall, Carrie Clayton, and Florence Coman.

Our next assignment is to cover the Independent Political Party convention at Philadelphia. Upon arriving at a large hotel, we are very surprised to see that Bob McConnell is the desk clerk, and when we turn around we see Gene Fritch, Allan Carr, and Otto Off are bellhops. After they recognize us, they tell us that their bridal suite is occupied by a couple whom we knew very well, so without further delay we decide to investigate. We are astounded to find that it is none other than Jesse Moore and Imogene Wells. After talking over old times awhile, we learn that Dora Williamson has become the secretary of a noted lawyer; Catherine Smith is a vocalist in Bill Robison's famous dance band; Mildred Winterrowd and Boris Chaleff have met in matrimony; Maxine Burns is proprietor of a large tea room in New York; Mary Bodell and Delphine Leonard both have major parts in a new movie soon to be released by one of the most popular Hollywood studios; and Barbara and Nancy Brown are rapidly gaining fame as a dance team.

Following our sojourn in Philadelphia, we go to Stockholm, Sweden, where the Olympic Games are being held. We are ushered to our seats by Arlon Park, who tells us that Chet Sterrett, Elden Nicholas, Olive Murphy, and Lulu Westfall are members of the American swimming team, and Marjorie Butterfield, Myra Gillespie, Gerald Parker, and Jack Martin are competing for spring-board honors. During the intermission, we approach the announcer, who was none other than Joe Schrouf, who gives us the results of yesterday's contests. He tells us that Grace Mead, Margaret Ross, Tressa Toler, and Ruth Wallace won the women's 440 yard relay swim; Alfred Stoner, Andrew Payne, Richard O'Haver, and Paul Light have gained track honors; and Ed Murphy has captured first-place in the shot-put. As he finishes speaking, we notice an Olympic official walking toward us with an envelope in his hand. He seems rather surprised when we didn't recognize him at first; for he proves to be one of our old classmates, Eugene Hittle. The envelope contains a message from Mr. Alfred K. Jones, inviting us to come home and cover his presidential campaign.

It is impossible to secure passage on a boat, so we obtain seats on the Transatlantic Clipper. After disposing of our luggage, we are introduced to the clipper's crew, all of whom had been members of our senior class; they are Raymond Harp, pilot; James Grayson, co-pilot; Robert Conger, radio operator; and Marjorie Schutte, stewardess. In a few minutes we are in the air and one glance at the passenger list shows us Lorine Humphrey and Melba Wickersham are holding seats behind us. During the trip they inform us that they are representatives of a textile firm, and that Betty Lee Thompson and Irene Vargo occupy similar positions. After reminiscing for several hours, we ask the girls where they purchase their lovely clothes. They reply that they buy them from an exclusive New York shop, owned by Mary Wheeler, and that she employs Dorothy Cossell, Shirley Mongan, Charlotte Long, and Virginia Smith as assistant designers. While discussing the dress shop, they add that Frances Minger, Mary Ross, Jayne Sockler and Betty Stephens are clothes models, and that Mary Lanham and Kathleen Edwards handle the business end of the shop.

The next morning we land in New York and take another plane to Miami, where we are supposed to meet Mr. Jones, our former class sponsor. At the airport we see Kathleen Smoot and Dorothy Mondary, who are seeing their respective husbands off on a business trip, and they readily volunteer the following information about a few of our former classmates: Betty Mercer is superintendent of an orphanage; Mary Sinclair is operating a boarding house; and Martha Redmond is an insurance adjuster. At the point in the conversation our plane number is called, and we have to get our luggage collected and get on the plane before it leaves.

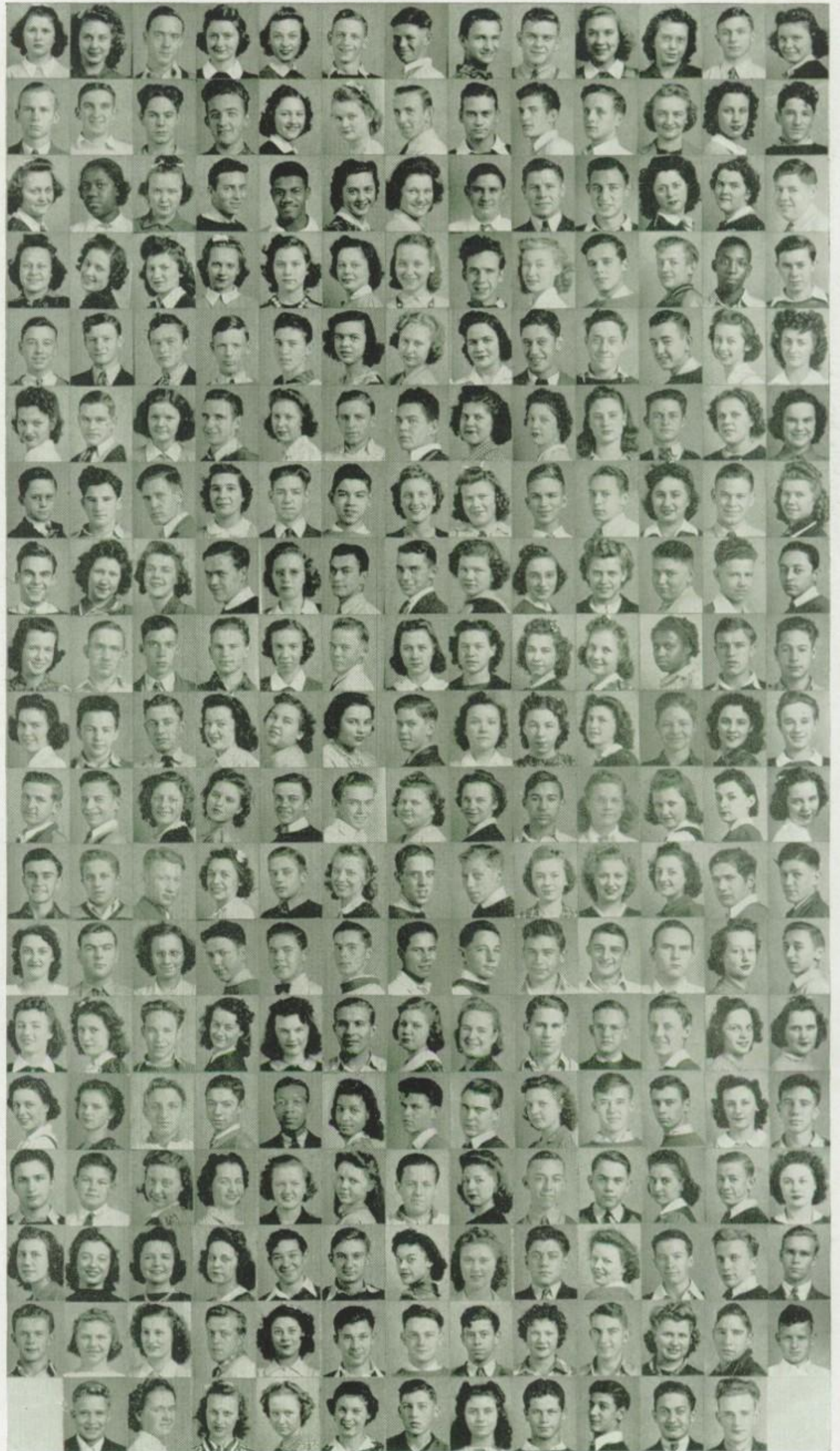
In a few hours we arrive in Miami, and then go to Mr. Jones's hotel. Instead of being greeted at the door by our host, we are confronted by Jeanette McCreary in a nurse's uniform, who gives us the extraordinary news that Mr. Jones is going to abandon his political ambitions, because of a complete nervous breakdown. As she finishes speaking, she nods towards a young fellow and says that he is Mr. Jones's doctor, and after careful scrutiny we discover he is James Orr.

After wishing our former instructor a speedy recovery, we leave the hotel and go down to the beach for a swim. As we are strolling near the water's edge we hear a deafening cry for help and see a brawny life-guard plunge into the surf to rescue the endangered person. When the life-guard returns, we find that he is Robert Lane, and the damsel in distress is Rosemary Robinson. In a few minutes a huge crowd gathers around the pair and among the observers are Florence Ritter, Earlene Prather, June Hansen, Eugene Hacker, and Bette James. After the excitement subsides we continue our stroll and rounding a curve in the shore-line we come upon Charles Hart sculptoring a likeness of his model, Maxine Robey, in the sand. He is so engrossed in his work that he doesn't see us, so we turn our steps toward a curiosity shop we saw previously when going to the beach.

The shop has a sign over the door which reads: The Mac Shop, Madeline McCollum and Pat McKinney, Proprietors. Since the door is open, we walk in and begin to look at the various articles. In a few minutes the girls present themselves, and remark that had we come a few minutes sooner we could have seen Leon Gardner, Anna Lambert, and Bettie Jane Ellis, who had stopped in to buy some souvenirs, and are employed by a real estate company to choose a suitable site for a new hotel. The company they work for is operated by three old maids and one bachelor whom we all know as Marguerite Eadens, Margaret Evans, Eileen Edwards, and Blair Gibbons.

Just as we are leaving the shop we stumble and nearly fall out the front door. However, we don't fall to the ground, but we fall down through the years and land in the middle of the stage where our graduation exercises are being held.

J U N I O R S



First Row

Fern Alexander
Elizabeth Austin
Russell Blair
Mary Bland
Mary Bogue
Dick Boyer
Charles Brooks
Wilbur Burton
John Carty
Chrisilda Clark
Helen Day
John Dean
Naomi Fields

Second Row

Herschel Fullen
Dewey Hoss
Paul Gosney
Bill Keck
Dorothy Kinsley
Frances Millis
Richard Mohr
Eddie Osborne
Bill Owens
Bob Poe
Mary Margaret Pritchard
Earlene Prather
Joe Preda

Third Row

Maxine Sampley
Fannie Royal
Betty Stephens
Charles Washburn
Austin Wathen
Marcia Wood
Dorothy Wright
Lawrence Vaughn
Dick Loudon
Bill Adams
Ruth Adkins
Gladys Anderson
Cecil Applegate

Fourth Row

Dorothy Barrett
Vera Bell
Anna Bodell
Betty Bowers
Della Bowman
Ruth Brannon
Josephine Bristow
Earl Brooks
Louise Burgess
William Caldwell
James Campbell
Larry Campbell
Michael Cannon

Fifth Row

Bob Carnes
Bill Cossell
Walter Bushy
Bob Coghill
Frank Cook
Betty Craig
Viola Crouch
Kathleen Davis
Jack Delano
Chester Dell
Emery Dodd
Sara Dotson
Louise Dreyer

Sixth Row

Norma Dreyer
Robert Duncan
Virginia Dungan
John Dungan
Rosmita Dwinell
Eugene Eastes
Ed Eddington
Opal Englert
Lucy Faulk
Bernice Feltner
William Ferguson
Imogene Fine
Nina Fisher

Seventh Row

Carl Fox
Paul Fuller
Wayne Gaskins
Juanita Gibbons
Earl Gillaspy
Leon Glidewell
Vivian Gossett
Helen Grant
Gordon Grose
Frank Haeberle
Helen Hager
Billy Haley
Jacqueline Hall

Eighth Row

Bob Hamilton
Thelma Hancock
Alice Harris
Donald Heidenriek
Margaret Hoffman
Bob Hopkins
Don Hudson
Barbara Huff
Rosemary Hussy
Martha Israel
Lee Jones
Eugene Jones
Harold Rinman

Ninth Row

Florence Johantges
Gene Kernodle
Paul Kelso
Bill Kappus
Bernice Kearns
Guy Loftus
Faye Lawson
Dorothy Lee
Norma Leemons
Joan Lancaster
Juanita Locke
George McCool
Roy McDaniels

Tenth Row

Catherine McLarty
Fred McQuary
Bill Mendenhall
Lois Michael
Betty Miller
Doris Miller
Tom Miller
Rosalie Millet
Winifred Miller
Doris Moiser
Edward Gillaspy
Mable Muse
Vernon Moore

Eleventh Row

Paul Neeley
Orville Mewell
Virginia Norcutt
Orpha Nurgester
Billy O'Brien
Reuben Ogden
Dorothy O'Haver
Edith Pattman
Keith Payne
Ruth Hackleman
Mary Catherine Penrose
Dorothy Petty
Eleanor Plain

Twelfth Row

Ralph Plummer
Lloyd Pottenger
Wilbur Powers
Ruth Rickelman
Jack Riley
Betty Rippy
Keith Robbins
Robert Sering
Josephine Sheets
Deloris Showecker
Imogene Shumaker
Earl Simon
George Skaggs

Thirteenth Row

Cora Schwab
Albert Smith
Blanche Smith
Bob B. Smith
Paul Smith
Robert Smith
Leroy Springer
Ben Spurlock
Robert Stone
Abijah Thompson
Frank Thompson
Gynth Tidd
James Walden

Fourteenth Row

Jewel Walker
Lorraine Walling
John Walton
Aileen Watkins
Jeanne Watkins
Leonard Williams
Mary Wentworth
Margaret Weaver
Charles Wiseman
Charles Wishmeier
Walter Woodson
Patricia Young
Margie Southern

Fifteenth Row

Mildred Adams
Rosedna Bowman
Edward Bedrick
Art Brisbane
Harold Brown
Virginia Cabell
William Cadwell
Russell Cameron
Lois Collier
James Collier
Alvin Cook
Ruth Craig
Garth Curbeaus

Sixteenth Row

Deam Cromer
Richard Daniel
Betty Davis
Charline Davis
Virginia Davis
Martha Day
Bill Deal
Gene Dongus
Ed Dravis
John W. Ellis, Jr.
Adele Felix
Marion Fine
Mildred Gibson

Seventeenth Row

Margaret Glick
Joan Greathouse
Iris Ham
Helen Hamblin
Dave Hammer
Bill Harris
Thelma Horne
Norma Owings
Russell Kellems
Betty Killman
Flaval Leath
Robert Linblad
Thomas McClure

Eighteenth Row

Harry Newby
Phyllis Patten
Georgia Peterson
Raymond Phillips
Catherine Poling
James Polsgrove
Bob Pugh
Donald Preyear
Onie Record
John Redmond
Becky Rowilson
Harold Salter
James Sampson

Nineteenth Row

Bob Schenk
Virginia See
Clara Belle Springer
Mildred Springer
Jean Sullivan
James Sampson
Margaret Sullivan
Floyd Tomlin
Wayne Van Treese
Cleo Vitelarr
Lloyd C. Wallace

SOPHOMORES



First Row

Evelyn Adkins
Donald Alexander
Ernest Alexander
Floyd Appleget
Donald Ayers
Roselyn Barker
Betty Barnhart
Harold Basore
Claude Beckert
Francis Bennett
Frank Bertalon
Helen Blair
Wayne Blair
Francis Bourne
Gladys Boyd

Second Row

Elinora Brewer
Josephine Bristow
June Bristow
Mickey Brown
Harold Brownlee
Bob Bruce
Ralph Brann
Virginia Burkert
Kathleen Bush
Edward Burdine
James Canada
Ola Mae Cantrell
Jean Karl
Steve Chaleff
Maxine Chamberlain

Third Row

Keith Coghill
Willard Conger
Alvin Cook
Odell Corn
Betty Craig
Helen Crayton
Ernest Creamer
Jean Cunningham
Lawrence Davis
Ruth Davis
Bonnie Dean
Wendell DeLong
Robert Derbyshire
Betty Dillon
Mervin Evans

Fourth Row

James Elliot
Don Ellis
Thomas Ellis
J. W. Ellis
Junior England
Maxine Evans
Walter Fahrback
Corinne Farrell
Jack Farrell
Lucy Faulk
Eleanor Fisher
Jean Freund
Lawrence Freund
Evelyn Gates
John Gerth

Fifth Row

Mariam Gibbons
Betty Gilbert
Richard Ginn
Mayme Gurney
Norma Gross
Charles Grant
Helen Golay
Glenn Hamilton
Marchetta Hamilton
Wayne Harrison
Jeanette Hawk
Dick Hawkley
Georgia Helms
Maurice Hoover
Clara Haugh

Sixth Row

Charles Hunt
Robert Ireland
Elmo Jagers
Frank James
Gene Jones
Foster Jensen
Eva Jones
Carl Jones
Clara Haney
Gordon Hansen
Violet Kelly
Alice Kemp
Lyman Kerkhof
Lucille Kimbley
Raymond Kinder

Seventh Row

Lowell Kolp
Joyce Kruger
Flaval Leath
Chester Lee
Howard Lee
Kenneth Lee
June Light
Ruth Locke
John Long
Maxine Lane
Melvyn McCartney
Mary McDaniel
Vera Madden
Eugene Malicote
Donald Mann

Eighth Row

Richard Marksbury
Betty Marsh
Roy E. Martin
Marian Martin
Alice Matlock
Maxine Maxson
Virgil Maxwell
Loren Mellendorf
Betty Lou Mercer
Helen Merriman
Ted Miller
Orville Miller
Clyde Milligan
Cecil Mills
Tom Miller

Ninth Row

Jackie Mitchell
Helen Moore
Mary Morcutt
Evelyn Moss
Clarice Neal
Margaret Nester
Betty Nungester
Patsy O'Connor
Mary O'Neil
Margaret Oglesbee
Jack Owen
Catherine Palencer
Ernest Parsley
Mary Pedigo
Mary Pemberton

Tenth Row

Elsie Petercheff
Donald Petty
Velda Phillips
Dorothy Pieper
Johnny Plain
Mary Plummer
Robert Plummer
Betty Poore
Olive Powers
Bernadine Ray
Ruth Reed
John Reynolds
Alma Rice
Saraellen Roberts
Elizabeth Roska

Eleventh Row

Raymond Ross
Rosemary Ross
Mary Rushton
Paul Ryan
Ruth Rybolt
Calvin Schaikel
Dorothy Schober
Charles Scott
Donald Seeman
Johnny Serak
Evelyn Shaffer
Rosemary Shanks
Eddie Showecker
George Skinner
Monroe Skinner

Twelfth Row

Donald Slaughter
Kenneth Smith
Paul H. Smith
Warren Smith
Mayme Sneed
Ruth Sproat
Harold Stewart
Benny Sypers
Margaret Thacker
Lelia Thomas
Abijah Thompson
Wayne Van Treese
Don Venable
Victor Verrett
Virginia Vornham

Thirteenth Row

James Walden
Loraine Walling
Mary Watkins
Margaret Weaver
Mary Weaver
Jack Wright
Esther Wilson
Martha Wimer
Nellie Wimer
Paul Wockerfeng
John Wolven
Margaret Wood
Richard Wright
Ann Kafoure
Colleen Abell

Fourteenth Row

Fredolia Appleget
Ray Austin
Kathleen Badger
Dorothy Baker
John Bedrick
Edward Bailey
Mary Bogden
Alvin Boles
Peter Briggs
Raymond Broshears
Jean Brownlee
Ruth Brownlee
Pauleen Bueehe
Bill Burroughs
Carl Clark

Fifteenth Row

Jeanne Bushey
Charles Coleman
Alice Charletta
Helen Clendenning
Max Collins
Bob Darmer
Mildred Dishman
Ruth Edwards
Christinia Earles
Marjorie Elrod
Rosemary Erwin
Vivian Erwin
Paula Faulkner
Norma Felix
Mary Fiscus

Sixteenth Row

Mary Ann Gardner
Sammy Gerking
Harry Germain
Bob Grider
Melvin Hardin
Betty Jean Harsin
Gloria Haffner
Florence Hubble
Robert Inman
Harry Kissner
Fred Klemm
Betty Jean Knopp
Phyllis Lewellen
Billy Mason
Janice Mason

Seventeenth Row

Donald McGuire
Louise Morris
Edith Newsom
Robert Pascal
Joe Pemberton
Walter Pinkston
David Polachek
Philip Poling
Ruth Paulos
Harold Prichard
Norma Renfro
Thelma Richardson
Harriet Schmidt
Harriet Schuh
Betty Seligman

Eighteenth Row

Joan See
Betty Sering
Ginger Smith
Harold Sparks
Bernice Stockhoff
Lee Stegmoller
Elvin Stemmet
Ruth Sterrett
Loretta Swenney
Leo Swick
Harold Waggoner
Frank Wallace
Eugene Warriner
Jack Winters
Bob Miller

First Row

Maxine Abell
 Fred Allgood
 Thomas Albrecht
 Bob Altopp
 Clara Amber
 John Appleget
 Raymond Archer
 Nellie Arnold
 Alice Balay
 Lucille Barlier
 Bob Barker
 Jack Bortz
 Max Bates
 Patsy Baugh
 Ernest Beasley

Second Row

Sonna Bennett
 Louise Bolander
 Nancy Bonta
 Manzella Bowlin
 Dorothy Bowman
 Marien Bowman
 Maurice Bowman
 Evelyn Sue Brothers
 Joanne Brown
 Margaret Burgess
 Ruth Burnett
 Hazel Callahan
 McKinley Callahan
 Marjorie Cahall
 Robert Campbell

Third Row

Anna Cantrell
 Louise Carnes
 Vera Chambers
 Veneta Clark
 Harold Collins
 Donald Cooper
 Stella Crabtree
 Wanda Crosby
 Robert Crose
 Mary Crouch
 Louis Cummins
 Marion Daudy
 Richard Davis
 Betty Day
 Charlotte Day

Fourth Row

Jim Dean
 Barbara Dewees
 Beatrice Tillet
 Evelyn Dotson
 Bob Dorsett
 Rosemary Duncan
 Virgil Dwinell
 Annetta Eddington
 Norma Eddy
 Allan Edwards
 Ervin Endsley
 Edna Feltner
 Halbert Fillinger
 Irene Finchum
 Betty Fox

Fifth Row

Ralph Flaherty
 Betty France
 Charles Fritz
 Dorothy Fuller
 Joe Gerichs
 Kenneth George
 Bernard Glick
 Juanita Gray
 Marietta Gray
 Bill Griffin
 Joe Gwinn
 Gene Hall
 Leva Hall
 Robert Hamilton
 Corinne Hardin

Sixth Row

Betty Hardin
 Jacqueline Harris
 Thomas Hart
 Dorothy Hartman
 Lillie Horton
 Robert Hartpence
 Alfred Haulk
 Richard Hankins
 Ilena Hay
 Freddie Hayden
 Jo Ann Haywood
 Evelyn Helm
 Dorothy Henry
 Donald Hessong
 Lila Heun

Seventh Row

Clarence Hicks
 Eudella Hiland
 Tommy Hines
 Robert Konrad
 Dick Hoover
 Charles Honer
 Lillie Horton
 John Hunt
 Jack Ingle
 Ernest Inlow
 Roberta Inman
 Maxine Jackson
 Fred Johnson
 Harold Johnson
 Bill Jones

Eighth Row

Mary Jordan
 Bernice Kendall
 Madelon Kershner
 Grace Kessler
 Charles Languell
 Lester Lee
 Mary Lentz
 Marvon Lentz
 Eileen Lewis
 Tillie Lippard
 Melvin Lones
 Teddy Lutz
 Mary McCann
 Paul McCoy
 Wilma Mabbitt

Ninth Row

Mariam Marsh
 Paul Mason
 Barbara May
 Everett Miles
 Harry Miles
 Bettie Miller
 H. R. Miller
 Marian Miller
 Rosanna Miller
 Charles Mogdlin
 Edward Mogdlin
 Betty Moller
 Betty Moore
 Herman Moore
 Joanne Moore

Tenth Row

Katie Moore
 Marjorie Moore
 Jess Morgan
 Margie Morris
 John Motley
 Martha Murry
 Forest Muse
 Chet Neeley
 Jerry Nuetzman
 Russel Neighbors
 Marjorie Newkirk
 Patricia Newnum
 Maxine Oakes
 Nodine Ogdon
 Phyllis Park

Eleventh Row

Mildred Perry
 Marvin Pfeiffer
 Harold Plata
 Lois Plummer
 Fred Poland
 Vivian Poland
 Gerald Ponder
 Dorothy Potter
 Billy Powers
 Elizabeth Pieper
 Ruth Rackley
 Moya Ranck
 Charlene Reed
 David Reeves
 Danna Rhoades

Twelfth Row

Ruth Rice
 Billy Rigot
 Howard Rippy
 Russell Ross
 Dorothy Ruhl
 Dolores Sanders
 Douglas Sanders
 Madeline Sacksteder
 Leona Schackel
 Kenneth Sears
 Marvon Lentz
 Margaret Shoaf
 Alline Shrout
 Mildred Schutte
 Virginia Smith

Thirteenth Row

Kenneth Smith
 Harold Smith
 Jane Smith
 Bob Smoot
 Ruby Snapp
 Dorothy Sneed
 Bill Sockler
 Adelia Jean Sonnefield
 Adrian Spaulding
 Faye Spivey
 Yvonne Spivey
 Earl Springer
 Rosemary Stackhouse
 Everett Stamm
 Floyd Stewart

Fourteenth Row

Lloyd Stewart
 Aileen Stoud
 Kathleen Stout
 Margaret Sutton
 Melba Swaney
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 Allen Washburn
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 Helen J. Young
 Erwin Stegemoller
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F R E S H M E N





After Hours We Play and

I

There are many things we do
At the close of day;
Many sports, clubs and dances,
And maybe a play.

II

The plays we have are rated
As among the best;
Our Town, June Mad and others
Have all withstood the test.

III

Throughout our school
Many clubs abound,
And all the students think
None better can be found.

IV

Our athletes are the best
Of any in the land.
In all kinds of competition
Our men will always outstand.

V

At our school dances,
We swing and sway,
And away we cast
The cares of the day.

VI

All these go together,
And entwine into one;
To make our school life
Just a little more fun.

Work With Our Classmates



LATIN CLUB



COMMERCIAL CLUB



BEN DAVIS BAND



THESPIANS

LATIN CLUB

The Gods and Goddesses of Olympus visit Ben Davis every third Wednesday of the month when the Senatus Populus Quanus Romanus, or Latin Club, convenes.

Its plan of organization follows that of the Roman state and its one aim is to promote interest in the study of Latin and the classics.

This club was organized in 1934 and is purely of a social nature. It boasts of a membership of 126 and holds the title for the oldest club in school. George Skaggs, Robert Seeman and Robert Dickison are the rotary counsels.

Outstanding social activities of the year are the Saturnalia feast at Christmas and the annual Latin play presented by the advanced class.

Other officers are: Aediles, Edna Fisher, Rosland Millet and Mary Frances Rushton; Praetors, Bill Conger, Donald Seeman and Harold Basore; Vestales, Mary E. Bland, Betty Rippey, Joyce Whyland (retired), Alice Jean Kemp, Esther Wilson, Rosemary Ross and Harriet Schuh; Quaestores, Betty Lou Mercer and Harriet Schmidt; Virgiliae Primus, Bob Grider and Billy Mason; Praefectus, Roy Daniels.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Commercial Club is an organization for students enrolled in Shorthand, Typing and Bookkeeping classes and is sponsored by all commercial teachers.

The aim of the club is to arouse enthusiasm, create interest and familiarize the students with a general business procedure and the needs of business.

During the year the club has sponsored two field trips. Some of the companies and places of interest visited were: A. B. Dick Mimeograph Company, Western Union, State House Office of the Governor, State Police Department and Auto License Division.

Special activities of the year have included two guest speakers, a St. Patrick's Day party, and the annual office machine exhibit, which represents some fifteen companies. All commercial students are invited to this exhibit.

As a reward for outstanding scholastic work in this department, the club makes four awards at the May meeting.

THE BAND

Rat-a-tat-tat, rat-a-tat-tat, down the hardwood of the Ben Davis High School gym comes this unsurpassable band in their uniforms of white, while the onlookers listen with bated breath.

Formations are in order and there are the letters of the visiting team, after which their school song is played. Then the roof is raised as the formation of B. D. is made and our school song is played. Other formations which the band has made are those of an anchor, bell, plane, and others too numerous to mention.

The Ben Davis High School Band, organized in 1938, completed another successful year, under the supervision of Mr. Omar Rybolt.

The band played at all the home basketball and football games this year and also at many other school activities.

It is composed of two classes: Beginning and advanced, of which there are seventy-one, all taking active part.

Although the band has improved rapidly this year, it hopes to improve still more next year.

THESPIANS

The Dramatic Club, organized by the Thespians, has completed a very successful year. The club has sponsored four one-act plays titled "Jacob Comes Home," "Jazz and Minuet," "Opening of a Door," and "Sparkin'." The one-act plays were given in December.

The annual Thespian production was a play titled "Our Town," written by Thornton Wilder. The two main leads were played by Muriel Doll and Don Winings.

"Jacob Comes Home" was recast and taken to the State contest at Terre Haute, March 7 and 8. The cast won the rating of "excellent" for the school. Also the play was taken to Danville for the entertainment of the participants in the Commercial contest.

The club officers are: Walter Woodson, president; Deloris Showeacker, secretary, and Muriel Doll, treasurer.



HI-Y
CLUB



SUNSHINE
CLUB



DEBATE
CLUB



PHY-CHEM
CLUB

HI-Y CLUB

The Ben Davis Hi-Y Club, which was instituted four years ago, has been very active this year. Officers were as follows: Bob Seeman, president; Walter Woodson, vice-president; George Darnell, secretary, and Boris Chaleff, treasurer. During Christmas the Hi-Y Club gathered toys and mended and distributed them among the unfortunate.

They sponsored a football banquet for the varsity players in January, and a Fathers's and Son's bean supper was held for the members and their fathers. Past members and their fathers were also invited.

The club in its regular meetings had speakers who talked on Americanism, Photography, Aeronautics, and a Roumanian minister spoke on Christmas in Roumania around the Christmas season.

The purpose of the club is to "Create and maintain high standards of Christian character throughout the school and community."

SUNSHINE CLUB

"Extend a helping hand" is the motto that has made the Sunshine Club grow by leaps and bounds until this year's membership totals 110 girls.

The Ben Davis chapter of the State High School Sunshine Society was established in 1933.

Activities of the club this year included Christmas baskets, candy sales, spreads, a dance with the Hi-Y Club, contributions to the Riley fund, a tea for the members' mothers, attendance at both the district and state conventions as well as the annual Sunshine formal dance.

The funds to carry on the club's charitable projects and social activities were made from the yearly variety show.

The president of the club is Marilyn Pickerel; vice-president, Mary Elizabeth Bland; recording secretary, Marchetta Hamilton, and treasurer, Josephine Sheets.

Miss Dorcas Hargar and Miss Esther Williams are sponsors of this girls' organization.

THE DEBATE SQUAD

The Debate and Discussion Class of 1940-41, composed of seventeen members, is the largest since the inauguration of debate in Ben Davis High School in 1935.

Veterans of last year are Frank Haeberle, Lorine Humphrey, Marilyn Pickerel and Walter Woodson.

During the debate season several debates were held with other schools on the national debate question, "Resolved: That the Power of the Federal Government Should Be Increased." Warren Central, Tech and Rushville were among the schools with whom debates were held.

Bob Hamilton, Alice Jean Kemp, Jack Martin, Frank Haeberle, Betty Rippey, Lorine Humphrey and Walter Woodson accompanied Mr. A. K. Jones, the debate coach, to the 11th Annual Debater's Conference, at Purdue University, December 6 and 7. This conference featured the first student legislative assembly and was one of the "highlights" of the year's activities.

During the latter part of the year the class was divided into three parts, each specializing in the conventional type of debating, cross-examination debate, or discussion. Each group chose a question for debate or discussion dealing with South America.

PHY-CHEM CLUB

The Phy-Chem Club is an organization of members which convenes on the sixth day of every month. The membership consists not only of students enrolled in the science subjects but also those who are merely interested in the work of the club.

The activities of the club are not limited to science. At each meeting there is an interesting program, and once a year a dance is held in the bandroom. This year's club activities were climaxed May 1 by a party given for the members and their guests.

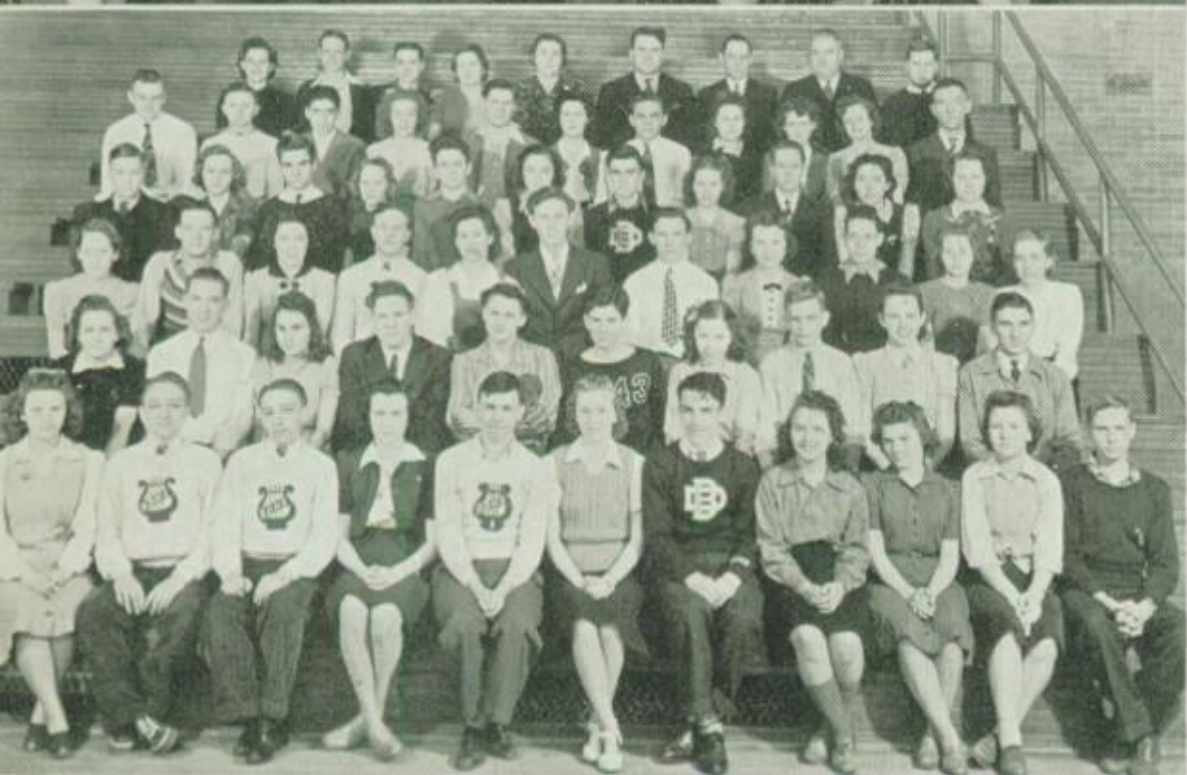
The Phy-Chem Club has had a very successful year under the leadership of Fred Tillett, president; Robert Dickison, vice-president; Dorothy Cossel, secretary, and George Cunard, treasurer, and under the sponsorship of Mr. A. K. Jones and Mr. Leland Mills, Chemistry and Physics instructors, respectively.



SEW AND SPROUT CLUB



ART CLUB



TRIALGE CLUB



LIBRARY STAFF

THE SEW AND SPROUT CLUB

Still in infancy, the Sew and Sprout Club has shown its value in vocations. It is made up of members of the Home Economics, Agriculture and 4-H clubs. It is sponsored by Mrs. Esther Sohl and Mr. Raymond Sproat.

The name was chosen by the club members at the second meeting. It was chosen because it represents the names of the sponsors and the things done by the members.

A meeting is held once a month, the year around, the only club in the school to do so. These meetings take place in the homes of the members and in the school.

The aims of the club are: To train for leadership, to learn improved methods of farming and home making, to learn to meet, work and play together, to co-operate and achieve bigger and better ideals and heights.

The officers are: Anna Louise Brewer, president; Naomi Fields, vice-president, and Monroe Skinner, secretary. There are thirty members.

THE ART CLUB

Summer vacation ends all studying in Ben Davis High School, but it doesn't end the creative activities of the Sketch Club, a unit of the Art Club, which was organized in February, 1939, by members of the art classes under the leadership of Mrs. Elva Strouse.

The Art Club joined the Indiana Confederation of Junior Art Clubs on March 15 of this year.

The club will exhibit some of its many creations at the Hobby Derby, which will be held at the John Herron Institute. This is the first time the club has ever entered the Derby.

Money for the club awards and club dance is obtained by the making and selling of posters by members of the club. Points are given for securing orders and for the making of posters. Three awards are given to the members holding the largest number of points.

The officers of the club are as follows: President, Hershall Fullen; vice-president, Richard Swift; secretary, Paula Fulkner; treasurer, Bob Pickering.

TRIALGE CLUB

The Math Club is made up of seventy-seven budding Einsteins. It is composed of everyone interested in mathematics and what he can do with it.

The second Tuesday of every month they have their periodical get-together. The club business is finished quickly and they proceed to enjoy themselves immensely by listening to mathematical talks, seeing mathematical movies and doing other things that help to carry out the purpose of the club, which is to interest students in mathematics outside class and in its use in everyday life.

Each year the members put their heads together and plan a dance. It's usually informal with simple decorations and each member may bring a guest.

The Math Club officers are: Robert Dickison, president; Josephine Sheets, treasurer; John Dean, vice-president, and Florence Johantges, secretary.

LIBRARY STAFF

Here is Mrs. Louise Williams with her flock of librarians. Each semester the girls sign up and the most capable girls are chosen by Mrs. Williams and Mr. Vance. These girls, while assisting Mrs. Williams, learn the principles of library work. Each girl knows just what she is to do and it's no small job, either! Especially when they must remind you of overdue and reserved books, sign library slips, file and catalogue books and keep the clipping files up to date. Some of the librarians, and others selected by Mrs. Kirk, type library reference material every period of the day.

A "B" average is a pre-requisite for the job.

The librarians are: Beth Traub, Mary Wheeler, Martha Redmond, Wanda Hamilton, Lula Westfall, Mary Sinclair, Naomi Fields, Mary M. Pritchard, Winifred Miller, Tressa Toler, Becky Rowlison and Edith Huston.

There are seven assistants graduating this June and Mrs. Williams will need these vacancies filled. Any girls interested in such a position for next year may see Mrs. Williams before the completion of the school year.



FOOTBALL

The season of 1940 and 1941 proved to be the best ever for Coach Bert "Red" Haviland and his Ben Davis eleven.

With the addition of Franklin and Elwood and the elimination of Bosse of Evansville and Plainfield, the team will be up against some tough competition next year.

The team will lose nine players with the graduating of the seniors. They are: Captain Alex Witkovich, who was high point man in the midwest part of Indiana; Quarterback Boris Chaleff, who has been on the team for four years; Joe Shrout, "Flying Joe" he was called, fullback, and Wilmer Buis, a halfback. Losses in the line will be Jess Moore, Emil Craciunoiu, Marion Light, Jack Leo and Jim Eichoff.

Returning lettermen will be Bob Stone, key man of the team; Garth Curbeaux and George McCool, as guards, and Earl Simon in the backfield.

The team won five and lost three this year. The gridsters won from Westfield, Sheridan, Warren Central, Plainfield and Southport, and lost to very strong teams from Crawfordsville, Seymour and Bosse of Evansville.

BASEBALL

Predestined to be Marion County's outstanding baseball aggregation, followers of the local nine looked forward to a rather successful baseball season. When several of the players were declared ineligible, the hopes of these followers were severely dampened.

But that wasn't the end of the story. The rest of the team took it on the chin, and went to work with a vim and vigor not usually witnessed on a major league diamond, much less on a high school team.

Pitchers had to be recruited from the infielders and outfielders, first basemen became outfielders, and there was a general revamping of the whole team by Coach Hubert "Topsy" Blair. When the season opened, the team was made up largely of underclassmen, with only four seniors represented.

Local sports writers have established Ben Davis as the prime favorite to carry off the Marion County championship.

Early this season at Decatur, Paul Miller and Alva "Bo" Bohanon combined their talents to pitch a two-hit game, with Bo racking up 10 strikeouts in 6 innings. At Lawrence he repeated with 13 strikeouts. With such dynamic individuals as are represented on this year's team, it will not be surprising if they have one of those rare defeatless seasons.

Prospects for the next two years look extremely bright, with the number of freshmen and sophomores on the squad. Only members to graduate will be Bohanon, Miller, Record, Boris Chaleff and Washburn.

TRACK

Although handicapped without the use of a track, this year's Ben Davis harriers were rated as one of the strongest teams in Marion County.

Led by Roy Pearson, 440-dash Indiana state champion, the cinder men participated in nine meets, among which were the Kokomo Relays, Southport Relays and Marion County meet.

Many fast times were recorded by individual performers during the season, and although the relay teams were rebuilt they also recorded many fast times.

The team next year will be built around many promising young athletes, the freshmen will send several outstanding men to the varsity, and the sophomore and junior classes are already represented by excellent performers.

C. J. "Chuck" Stembel, coach, said that this year's team was one of the best he has ever coached in his fourteen years at Ben Davis, and that he thought in the next two years Ben Davis will have one of the strongest teams in Indiana.

BASKETBALL ACTION

Soaring high into the air goes our erstwhile basketball center, Howard Record, in competition against Lollar of Decatur at the last Decatur Central-Ben Davis game, in which the Giants won by a decisive score.

This picture rather belittles Howard's stretching ability, for he was able to steal the tip all year long, in the majority of cases, from his basketball opponents.

Gazing longingly at the tipped basketball is blond Bob "Seabiscuit" Seeman, defensive guard of this year's team.

Also in on this particular play were Boris Chaleff and Roy Pearson of the locals, and Max Shanklin and Bill Butler of the Hawks.

Inspired this year by the confidence instilled in them by Coach "Curly" Hinshaw, a great Ben Davis team took the floor to do justice to the name of Giants, and great prospects are in store for Giant fans in the coming years. Yes, we're bound to win that coveted state champion diadem within the next five years, probably in 1941-42.

BASKETBALL

Under the able tutelage of Coach Herman T. Hinshaw, newly appointed basketball coach, our varsity took long strides this year, characteristic of Giants, to reemphasize Ben Davis' place on the basketball map to Indiana.

Many teams became acquainted, much to their sorrow, with the tip-in ability of Howard Record, Jesse Moore's fleetness, with Roy Pearson's brilliant rebound work, Boris Chaleff's ability to get the team rolling again by hitting heart-breaking longs from the center of the floor, with Bob Seeman's guarding ability, Wilmer Buis' brilliant floor game, and the heady game played by Bill Owens and Earl Simons, who are the only two varsity men returning next year.

Teams met, and who fell by the wayside, were Decatur Central, Center Grove, Zionsville, Speedway, Brownsburg, Warren Central, Manual, New Augusta, Greenfield, Noblesville, Plainfield, Beech Grove, Cannelton, Franklin Township, Washington and Danville, while close decisions were dropped to Southport, Mooresville, Central of South Bend, Warren Central, Huntingburg and Decatur Central.

The highlight of the season this year was the sectional tourney at Technical, when the Giants fought an uphill battle through early competition to reach the finals, where they courageously lost a heart-breaker to Decatur Central's Hawks.

Prospects for the next year loom unusually bright with all of the seasoned material on hand, to say nothing of our Giant freshmen.

"RESERVES" BASKETBALL

Led by several prospective stars, Ben Davis' reserve team made an excellent preview showing of "what's to come" this year under Coaches George Hiatt and Herman Hinshaw.

Winners of the majority of their games, the reserves showed that they have what it takes to become the varsity next year with their heady play, their outstanding sportsmanship, and their courageous stand when the chips were down.

It was interesting to note that for the first time in several years, a few freshmen had the ability to break into the reserve's starting lineup. An outstanding improvement made by all was their dexterity in handling the ball. Few second teams have ever shown the promise that this year's squad has.

Although the reserves don't receive the publicity that the varsity does, they must remember that in years to come they will receive the publicity that they so righteously deserve.

The boys found the coaches very congenial and willing to help at any time. With coaches like that, and a prospective team like the reserves—watch out for Ben Davis next year!

WRESTLING

Undaunted by the meager supply of reserves, Ben Davis' modern Sampsons rose to new heights during the wrestling season.

Headed by George McCool, Indiana state 125-pound champion, this band of Man Mountain Deans conquered Rushville and Bedford and were felled by Southport, Bloomington and Muncie.

The team next year should be the strongest in the history of Ben Davis wrestling teams. Only two grapplers, John Pedrey and Alex Witkovich, will be lost to the squad. The rest will return next year, aided by some years experience.

Lack of experience was the greatest handicap this year, several freshmen being in the line-up.

The squad as a whole was willing to work hard to learn the fundamentals of the game. Many boys advanced rapidly and by the end of the season were top-notch performers.

B. G. Haviland, coach, was pleased at the determination of the boys to learn the art of wrestling.

The matmen who ordinarily performed were: Bob Lucas, Alvin Cook, Joe Preda, George McCool, Ed Dravis, Donald Gephart, Alex Witkovich, Bob Stone, Garth Curbeaux and Adrian Spaulding.

FROSH

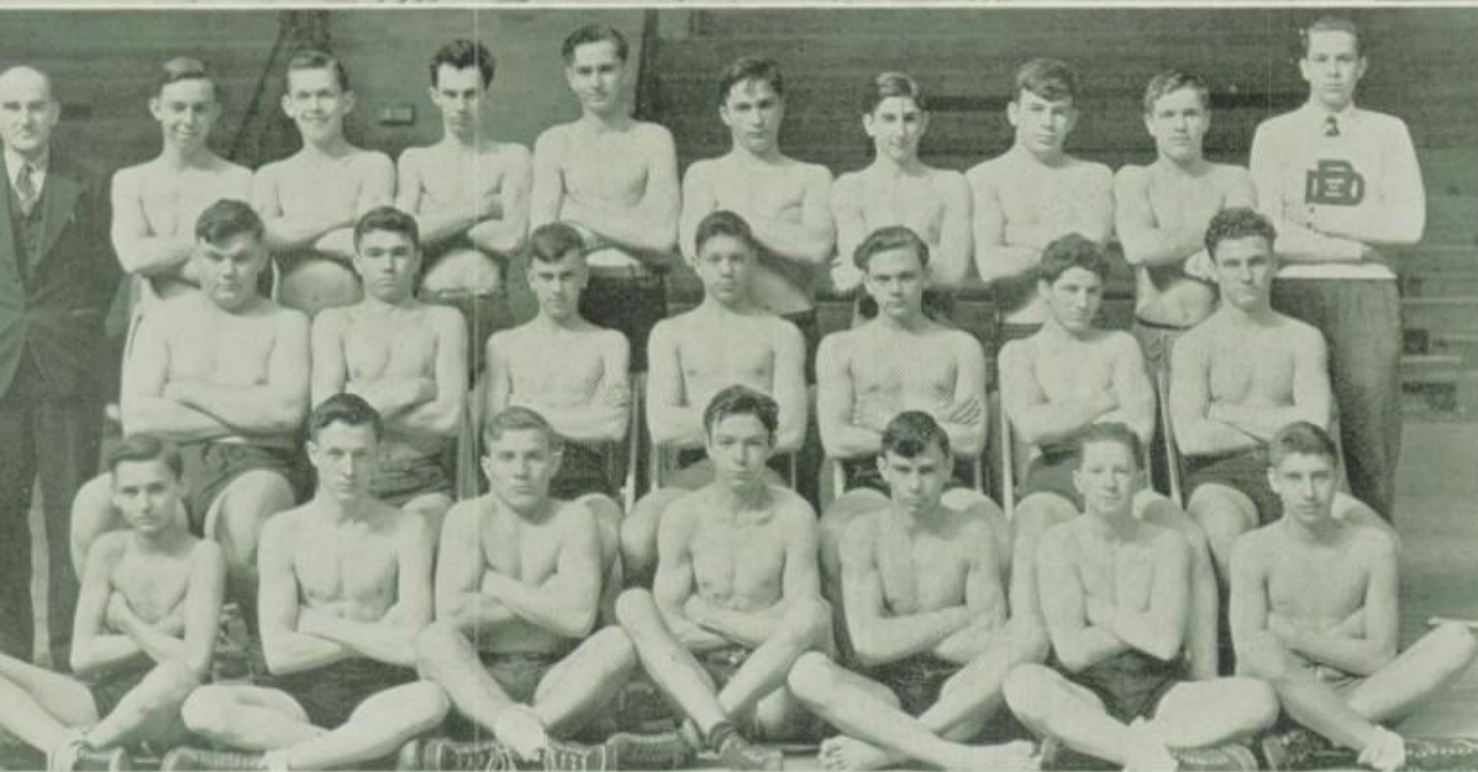
Reaching the highest pinnacle ever ascended by a Ben Davis freshman team, twenty consecutive victories and the Marion County Frosh basketball diadem—the entire school, as well as the local community, have reason to be proud of our young Giants quintet.

Sparked throughout the year by Ervin Steymoller, Raymond Ross, Keeny Sears, Gerald "Bo" Ponder, Allen Washburn, Eugene Warriner and Joe Gerichs, the frosh started out on a career that should end up with but one answer—the State Champs.

Coach Ben Walker expressed the belief that these tall freshman hold more state championship prospects than any previous freshman squad.

The term "Giants" hardly befits our youngsters, some of whom are six foot tall or else hover closely to that mark. Their style of play this year was featured by their accurate shooting, perfect passing, and, best of all, their all around co-ordination in team play. The last is perhaps the dream of all coaches—five boys who can work as one with no individuality.

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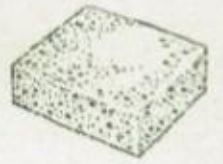
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